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*VIA ECF*

Honorable Brian M. Cogan  
United States District Judge  
United States District Court  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

**Re: *Linde v. Arab Bank, PLC*, 04-CV-2799 (BMC) (VVP), and related cases**

Dear Judge Cogan:

We write on behalf of Arab Bank plc (“Arab Bank” or the “Bank”) to respectfully request permission to file the enclosed proposed sur-reply brief of six pages in further opposition to Plaintiffs’ motion to strike the expert report of Dr. Marc Sageman.

In its Minute Order dated July 19, 2015, the Court authorized the Plaintiffs to file a reply brief “strictly limited to matters raised in defendant’s opposition” and noted that “this limitation should obviate the need for a sur-reply.” Because Plaintiffs’ reply brief raises certain issues for the first time, which the Bank has not had an opportunity to address, we respectfully request the opportunity to join issue on these points so as to facilitate this Court’s resolution of an issue of exceptional importance.

Very truly yours,

**DLA Piper LLP (US)**

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/s/  
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cc: all counsel (via ECF)